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From: Hull, George
Sent: Thur 9/24/2015 8:55:49 PM
Subject: RE: GKM Press Inquiry

Thanks. I did hear back from the reporter and he's looking for our response tonight. - George

From: McGrath, Shaun
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 4:54 PM
To: Hull, George; Ostrander, David
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Adding Joan and Bob, who I'd ask to help David in developing responses.

George, I believe there is a pretty straightforward answer that tracks with what the Administrator said in her testimony.

From: Hull, George
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 2:38 PM
To: Ostrander, David; McGrath, Shaun
Cc: Grantham, Nancy
Subject: GKM Press Inquiry

David and Shaun,

We need your assistance in responding to the inquiry below from CQ Roll Call. I'm reaching out to the reporter to get his deadline. Can you help us with a draft answer. Thanks,

George Hull, Director

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I need an on-the-record comment as to why EPA's Gold King Mine Contractor – Environmental Restoration – still have the ability to award a subcontract following the Aug. 5 wastewater breach into Colorado's Animas River. Was their authority over the remediation effort not halted and stripped from them while EPA handles the clean up duties in the region? I need more information as well regarding the water treatment system that will be put in place in the area through the '15 winter. Thanks!